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**"AN ACT CONCERNING LOW INCOME ENERGY PROGRAMS."**

1 Strike section 1 in its entirety and renumber remaining sections and  
2 internal references accordingly

3 Strike section 3 in its entirety and insert the following in lieu thereof:

4 "Sec. 3. Section 16a-41b of the general statutes is repealed and the  
5 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

6 (a) There shall be a Low-Income Energy Advisory Board which shall  
7 consist of the following members: The Secretary of the Office of Policy  
8 and Management or the secretary's designee; the Commissioner of  
9 Social Services or the commissioner's designee; the executive director  
10 of the Commission on Aging; a representative of each electric and gas  
11 public service company designated by each such company; the  
12 chairperson of the Department of Public Utility Control or a  
13 commissioner of the Department of Public Utility Control designated  
14 by the chairperson; the Consumer Counsel or the counsel's designee;

15 the executive director of Operation Fuel; the executive director of  
16 Infoline; the director of the Connecticut Local Administrators of Social  
17 Services; the executive director of Legal Assistance Resource Center of  
18 Connecticut; the Connecticut president of AARP; a designee of the  
19 Norwich Public Utility; a designee of the Connecticut Petroleum  
20 Dealers Association; and a representative of the community action  
21 agencies administering energy assistance programs under contract  
22 with the Department of Social Services, designated by the Connecticut  
23 Association for Community Action.

24 (b) The Low-Income Energy Advisory Board shall (1) advise and  
25 assist the Office of Policy and Management and the Department of  
26 Social Services in the planning, development, implementation and  
27 coordination of energy-assistance-related programs and policies. [and]  
28 (2) advise and assist in the planning, development, implementation  
29 and coordination of all low-income weatherization assistance  
30 programs and policies, [shall] so that low income weatherization  
31 programs, including those implemented pursuant to sections 7-233y,  
32 16-32f, 16-245m and 16a-22l and those administered by the Department  
33 of Social Services, meet a combined goal to weatherize at least thirty  
34 per cent of low income eligible households and reduce energy  
35 consumption in each of such households by at least twenty per cent  
36 not later than five years after the effective date of this section, (3)  
37 advise the Department of Public Utility Control regarding the impact  
38 of utility rates and policies, and [shall] (4) make recommendations to  
39 the General Assembly regarding legislation and plans subject to  
40 legislative approval to ensure affordable access to residential energy  
41 services to low-income state residents.

42 (c) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management or the  
43 person designated by the secretary pursuant to subsection (a) of this  
44 section shall be the chairperson of the board.

45 (d) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management shall  
46 convene the first meeting of the board not later than August 1, 2005.  
47 The secretary shall provide notice of meetings to the members of Low-

- 48 Income Energy Advisory Board, provide space for such meetings,  
49 maintain minutes and publish reports of the board."